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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : We are dealing with Panchayat Unions. We do not go into the Corporation, the affairs of which have already become a sufficient public scandal.

Fishermen's villages (water-supply)

*2310 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the steps taken by the Government to provide drinking water to fishermen's villages of Vavathurai Cape, Manakudy and Kovalam in Kanyakumari district; and

(b) the reasons for the delay in carrying out the extension of pipe line to fishermen's villages in Cape?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) The steps taken are as follows :—

Vavathurai and Cape.—The work of providing water facilities to Cape under the National Water-supply Scheme has been completed, except for pipe connections to 25 public fountains, which work is in progress and will be completed by this year.

Manakudy.—In connection with a proposal for protected water supply to Manakudy, a new well has been sunk at Manavalapuram and the preliminary investigation for the scheme has also been completed. The scheme has not been taken up pending collection of contribution from the public.

Kovalam.—A well was proposed originally for this village. Subsequently the construction of an overhead tank has been proposed. The estimate for the work has also been prepared and the selection of the nominee by the villagers is pending.

(b) It has been reported that there has been no delay in carrying out the proposals.

Schools in Valliyur Panchayat

*2312 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

Why the teachers of aided schools in the Valliyur Panchayat Union Council area have not been paid their salaries and the two quarterly advance grants for midday meals to school children?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : A report has been called for from the Director of Public Instruction and is awaited.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR : Question No. 2311 has not been answered. May I know the reason, Sir?

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The hon. Member, Sri V. K. Ramaswami Mudaliar, came late. Before he came, I announced that the questions relating to the Hon. Minister for Industries would be postponed.